PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE	2. LOCATION		12. CONCLUSIONS
30 June 1954	Danvers, Mass		☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local GMT 24/1645Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Air-Visual	☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Intercept Radar	☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No	6. SOURCE Civilian		☐ Was Astronomical ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other UNIDENTIFIED
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 30 Seconds	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1	9. COURSE NE	☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☒ Unknown

10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING	11. COMMENTS
Small, white, elliptical. Straight course. SW to NE in straight line through 45 deg arc. 50 deg elev at all times. Distance too great for binoculars to aid.	UNIDENTIFED

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9 July 1954

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects Report (UFOB)

TO: Director of Intelligence
Headquarters, USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

Attached herewith is an Air Intelligence Information Report, subject: Unidentified Flying Objects Report, forwarded in accordance with AFR 200-2 dated 26 August 1953 and AFR 200-2A dated 2 November 1953.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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COUNTRY	REPORT NO.	(LEAVE BLANK)
United States	I	

AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT
Unidentified Flying Objects(UFOB)

AREA REPORTED ON	FROM (Agency)
Danvers, Massachusetts	6520th Test Support Wing, Laurence G Hanscom Field, Bedford, Massachusetts

DATE OF REPORT	DATE OF INFORMATION	EVALUATION
6 July 1954	30 June 1954	

PREPARED BY (Officer)	SOURCE
FRANCIS W. HENNIN, Captain, USAF	Civilian Interview

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)
AFR 200-2, dtd 26 August 1953 and AFR 200-2a, dtd 2 November 1953

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

INTERVIEW I

(1) (a) Object elliptical in shape.

(b) The object was extremely small, about 1/8" in diameter at arms length.

(c) White in color at all times.

(d) One

(e) Negative

(f) Negative

(g) Negative

(h) Negative

(i) Negative

(2) (a) Observer stated he happened to be looking at the sky when object was sighted.

(b) Object observed at 50° from horizon.

(c) Object traversed arc of about 45° from position of observer.

(d) Object travelled from southwest to northeast in a straight line.

(e) Disappeared from view

(f) 30 seconds

(3) (a) Ground-visual

(b) Use of binoculars not successful

1 INCLS. (c) N/A

1. Statement of Mr. [redacted].

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CBS-HYTRON
A DIVISION OF COLUMBIA BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INC
Danvers, Massachusetts

June 30, 1954

United States Air Force
Bedford Airport
Bedford, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

At about 12:45 P.M., June 24, 1954, I observed a strange object in the sky Northwest of my home in Danvers, Mass. The weather was clear, with a few small clouds drifting from the Northwest. I observed a small object, elliptical in shape, and completely whitish in color, travelling in a straight line, at an elevation of approximately 50° from the horizon, moving from the Southwest toward the Northeast.

The object traversed an arc of about 45° in approximately 30 seconds. I estimated the time on the basis of how long it took my son to go into the house and get my binoculars and return to me with them. During the time he was gone, I watched the object continuously. I was wearing polaroid sunglasses and I removed them and noted that the object became somewhat less distinct, but was otherwise unchanged. There was no noise of an airplane in the sky at the time, although the wind was toward me from the object. There was no vapor trail of any kind. The object did not glisten, but appeard to be very white. It was sharp and distinct against a clear blue sky.

When my son arrived with the binoculars, the object was becoming less distinct. By the time I had brought them to my eyes and focussed them, it had disappeared. A small cloud was in the area and it may have gone behind that, but I doubt it. It did not appear again, although I searched the area and along its projected trajectory for some minutes, both with the naked eye as well as with the binoculars.

On the following day at approximately the same hour, I observed several airplanes and other familiar objects, such as birds, flying through approximately the same area and I am certain that what I saw was none of these things.

Using the moon for comparison, which was visible at about the same location on the following day, I estimated the size of the object to have been apparently one-third its size, or approximately the size of an object one-eight of an inch long when held at arms length.

Very truly yours,

s/t [redacted]

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY
FRANCIS W. [illegible]
Captain USAF

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(4) (a) 1645Z, 24 June 1954

(b) Day

(5) (a) Observer on rear porch of his home.

(6) ([redacted] Ag[redacted] Danvers, Massachusetts, Occupation: Director of Commercial Engineering, CBS-Hytron, Danvers, Massachusetts.

(7) (a) Clear with small drifting clouds from northwest.

(b) Boston, cross winds aloft report 1500Z, 24 June 1954.

	Surface			
	6000'	330°	@	19K
Nantucket: Winds :	10000'	330°	@	23K
	10000'	310°	@	22K
	20000'	300°	@	20K
	30000'	350°	@	21K
	45000'	260°	@	12K

Only wind report available.

(c) Bedford (L. G. Hanscom Field) Massachusetts.

1130E	30 ⊕	E200 ⌽	15 +	↓ 8K	+17K
1230E	30 ⊕	E250 ⌽	15 +	↓12K	+ 23K
1330E	30 ⊕	250 ⌽	15 +	↓16K	

(d) Boston (Logan Airport) Massachusetts.

1130E	60 ⊕	230 ⌽	15 +	↘ 13K
1230E	60 ⊕	230 ⌽	15+	↘ 15K
1330E	70 ⊕	230 ⌽	15+	↘19K + 23K

(e) Unlimited

(f) Unlimited

(g) Thin scattered

(h) None reported.

(8) (a) No weather balloons reported being launched.

(9) (a) Negative

(10) (a) N/A

(11) (a) Observer states aircraft fly in the vicinity but not at time of sighting.

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(12) (a) Investigation of unusual reports filed at CAA Traffic Control Center, Boston, Massachusetts did not indicate any abnormal conditions in the area of the sighting. Possible cause of sighting undetermined by reporting officer.

Francis W. Hennin
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